

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: WOLFGANG RANKL

SERIAL NO.: 09/492,273

FILED: January 27, 2000

FOR: METHOD FOR EXCHANGING AT LEAST ONE
SECRET INITIAL VALUE BETWEEN A
PROCESSING STATION AND A CHIP CARD

GROUP ART UNIT: 2134

EXAMINER: M. Simitoski

ATTY. REFERENCE: RANK3001/BEU

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Small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is claimed.
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Respectfully submitted,


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